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## *Cal Poly Student Wins Three Awards at 2013 International Builders' Show*

SAN LUIS OBISPO – Cal Poly construction management senior Jennifer Gallegos won three awards – including an Outstanding Student award – at the recent National Association of Home Builders (NAHB) International Builders' Show in Las Vegas.

Gallegos, who is from Madera, Calif., won the Capturing the Best Moment Through a Photo Award and Staying Connected through Twitter Award, in addition to the NAHB Student Chapters Outstanding Student Award.

Gallegos' winning photo was of a veteran for whom the NAHB decided to build a home. The NAHB asked the competitors to Tweet about their experiences during the NAHB competition. Gallegos posted Tweets that wished other teams good luck, encouraged other teams to watch Cal Poly teams present, and captured Cal Poly's team adventures in Las Vegas.

The Outstanding Student Awards are based on grade point average, involvement in the local student chapter and the local home builders association, and interest in pursuing a residential building career. Students are selected by their chapter's faculty advisor and awarded a certificate and gift card.

"Last year I was on the NAHB team as an alternative, and this year I had the pleasure of being captain of the team," Gallegos said. "It was such a valuable experience that some of the team members and I are considering competing at NAHB again next year, and we are determined to earn first place."

A full list of award winners, can be found online at [nahb.org/studentchapters](http://nahb.org/studentchapters).

### About NAHB Student Chapters

Administered by HBI and funded by NAHB, corporate partners and student member dues, the NAHB Student Chapter program enriches the educational experience of students enrolled in construction-related studies. Chapters are located at high schools, career technical schools, community colleges and universities nationwide. Students in NAHB Student Chapters have the opportunity to work firsthand with experienced builders in the construction industry, giving them an invaluable complement to their academic studies.

### About HBI

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